

LISTING OF THE CLAIMS

1-5. Cancelled.

6. (Currently Amended) An image pickup apparatus comprising:

an image pickup means for generating unit which generates original image data;

an image processing means for generating unit which generates first reduced image data, second reduced image data and thumbnail data from the original image data, first reduced image data, wherein the first reduced image data is larger than the second reduced image data larger in size than the first reduced image data, and third reduced image data larger in size than the second reduced image and the second image data is larger than the thumbnail data;

an image file generation means for generating unit which generates an image file including the original image data, the first reduced image data, the second reduced image data, data and the third reduced image thumbnail data, and writing stores the generated image file into a storage medium in a removable memory; and

a display means for displaying unit which displays the second reduced image data, data; and

wherein the third reduced image data is used in the a control unit which controls an enlargement display processing of enlarging and displaying part of the first reduced image data as an enlarged part of the second reduced image data on the display unit.

7. (Currently Amended) The image pickup apparatus according to claim 6, wherein said image processing ~~means~~ unit compresses the original image data and the ~~third~~ first reduced image data in accordance with the same image compressing method.

8. Cancelled.

9. (New) The image pickup apparatus according to claim 6, wherein said image processing unit compresses the first reduced image data and the second reduced image data in accordance with the same image compression method.

10. (New) The image pickup apparatus according to claim 6, further comprising a plurality of image display modes,

wherein said control unit is capable of starting the enlargement display process even if any of the plurality of the image display modes is selected.

11. (New) The image pickup apparatus according to claim 10, wherein the plurality of image display modes include an image display mode for displaying one image stored in the removable memory on the display unit.

12. (New) The image pickup apparatus according to claim 10, wherein the plurality of image display modes include an image display mode for displaying four images stored in the removable memory on the display unit.

13. (New) The image pickup apparatus according to claim 10, wherein the plurality of image display modes include an image display mode for displaying nine images stored in the removable memory on the display unit.

14. (New) The image pickup apparatus according to claim 10, wherein the plurality of image display modes include an image display mode for displaying one image stored in the removable memory and information relating to the image on the display unit.

15. (New) The image pickup apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the image pickup apparatus is a digital camera.